

NAS Jax Holds Change of Command



Photos by MC2 Nick A. Grim

Commander, Navy Region Southeast Rear Adm. Gary Mayes, right, presents Naval Air Station Jacksonville Commanding Officer Capt. Michael Connor with the Legion of Merit award for outstanding service during his change of command and retirement ceremony, Oct. 3.

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Capt. Brian Weiss relieved Capt. Michael Connor as the 49th commanding officer of Naval Air Station (NAS) Jacksonville during a change of command ceremony Oct. 3. Commander, Navy Region Southeast Rear Adm. Gary Mayes was the guest speaker.

The ceremony took place in the ceremonial hangar bay aboard the station and served as both a change of command and a retirement for Connor, who retired after 26 years of naval service.

Honorable guests included Congressman John Rutherford (FL-04), leadership representatives for the City of Jacksonville, numerous active or retired flag and commanding officers.

In a message to all hands, Connor expressed appreciation for NAS Jacksonville personnel saying, "I have been incredibly honored to serve as your commanding officer for the past 18 months. I'm exceptionally proud of each and every one of you and the hard work you do each day to make NAS Jacksonville the best installation

in the Navy."

During the ceremony, Connor was awarded the Legion of Merit for his naval service, in addition to presentations by representatives for Senators Marco Rubio and Rick Scott; Mayor Jacksonville Lenny Curry; and Rutherford. Connor also received letters of appreciation from Presidents Donald Trump, George W. Bush and Bill Clinton, and the governors of Florida and New Hampshire.

Connor's tenure as commanding officer saw the base named the best naval air station in the Navy as well as the May 2019 mishap involving a Miami Air International flight skidding into the St. Johns River.

Weiss, previously the executive officer for NAS Jacksonville, was sworn in as commanding officer and addressed his installation with optimism and enthusiasm.

"I am truly humbled at this opportunity to serve," said Weiss during his first address as commanding officer. "Going forward, my philosophy is simple, continue to give your best every day." "Let's stay on our current heading and remember that it's our job to support, sustain and enable the warfighter.



Naval Air Station Jacksonville Commanding Officer Capt. Michael Connor turns over command to Capt. Brian Weiss during a change of command ceremony aboard the station, Oct. 3. Connor retired after 26 years of honorable naval service.

We will do this by providing world-class service everyday - without exception."

The ceremony included finished with Command Master Chief Mack Ellis reciting "Olde Glory" and Connor being piped ashore for the final time.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the River Cove Catering and Conference Center.



Congressman John Rutherford, right, presents a letter of appreciation to Capt. Michael Connor during his change of command and retirement ceremony Oct. 3 aboard NAS Jax.

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Sustain • Enable • Support





AT2 Robert Barber assigned to the “Fighting Tigers” of Patrol Squadron (VP) 8, is greeted by his family on the flight line of Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Oct. 1.



A P-8A Poseidon aircraft assigned to the “Fighting Tigers” of Patrol Squadron (VP) 8, approaches the runway of Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Oct. 1.

VP-8 Concludes Deployment to 4th, 7th Fleets

By Lt.j.g. Victoria Spies
VP-8 Public Affairs

The “Fighting Tigers” of Patrol Squadron (VP) 8 and the Dog Pound of Mobile Tactical Operation Center (MTOC) 7 returned to Naval Air Station Jacksonville (NAS Jax) after a successful six month deployment to the 4th and 7th Fleet Areas of Responsibility (AOR).

While deployed, VP-8 and MTOC-7 operated from three deployment sites in the Philippines, Japan, and El Salvador, where they provided intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance and conducted anti-submarine warfare (ASW) to advance U.S. Southern Command and U.S. Pacific Command lines of operation.

VP-8 is led by Commanding Officer Cmdr. Rodney Erler, and consists of 300 personnel and seven P-8A Poseidon aircraft. MTOC-7 is led by Officer in Charge Lt. Taylor Cannon, and consists of 21 personnel providing media support, mission construction, and safety of flight for all VP-8 missions.

Upon arrival to 7th Fleet, the Fighting Tigers were called to provide continuous coverage in support of search and rescue (SAR) efforts to locate a Japanese Air Self Defense Force F-35 and its pilot. This effort involved 24-hour

operations for more than six days. This SAR effort was an example of the close alliance between the JMSDF and the U.S. Navy that the Fighting Tigers continued to promote both on and off duty. VP-8 was also tasked to conduct routine maritime domain awareness, anti-surface warfare, and (ASW) throughout the 7th Fleet AOR.

Within the 4th Fleet AOR, VP-8 maintained a formidable presence, providing critical intelligence and reconnaissance in support of counter-narcotics operations in support of Joint Interagency Task Force South. The command worked closely with the U.S. Coast Guard and various partner nations to coordinate the seizure of over 54,733 kilograms of illegal narcotics worth more than \$3.8 billion, a record-setting result for the MPRF.

The Fighting Tigers flew from 12 different countries in two AOR’s while safely executing 600 sorties that generated over 3,500 flight hours. They completed 16 detachments across 11 different sites within the 7th Fleet AOR to include Sri Lanka, Fiji, Thailand, Guam, Philippines, Malaysia, Brunei, South Korea, Diego Garcia, Wake Island and Singapore. These detachments were of vital importance to U.S. engagements in the Indo-Pacific region, strengthening

relationships with partners and allies, while promoting interoperability between the U.S. Navy and other armed forces and agencies.

The maintenance department executed over 10,000 man-hours and 4,800 maintenance actions enabling aircraft to be on station on time with a 99 percent mission completion rate. The team also provided essential ordnance logistics for numerous ASW missions, enabling VP-8 Combat Aircrews to expend more than 2,000 sonobuoys, eight expendable mobile ASW training targets, and six MK-84 MOD 1 signal underwater sound. VP-8 was repeatedly called upon to answer short notice operational tasking to unplanned locations, and the VP-8 maintenance department always rose to the challenge to produce mission-ready aircraft at short notice.

“I could not be more proud of this team’s performance over the past six months,” said Erler. “Their dedication to safety, resiliency, and the ability to effectively complete the mission across two numbered fleets was nothing short of amazing.”

The last aircraft landed at NAS Jax Oct. 7 after six months of separation from families and friends. VP-8 welcomed eight new baby “Tigers” into the family over the course of the deployment.

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VP-5 Returns Home from Deployment

From VP-5 Public Affairs

The “Mad Foxes” of Patrol Squadron (VP) 5 returned to Naval Air Station Jacksonville (NAS Jax) following a successful six-month deployment to the U.S. 7th Fleet (C7F) Area of Responsibility Oct. 4-11.

VP-5 conducted Maritime Patrol and Reconnaissance operations with the P-8A Poseidon aircraft, primarily operating out of Kadena Air Base, Okinawa, Japan during their time away from home. During their deployment, the Mad Foxes conducted multiple mission sets, out of numerous detachment sites, to a multitude of allied and partner nations, in support of Commander, Task Force 72, C7F, and U.S. Indo-Pacific Command objectives throughout the region.

The squadron detached from Okinawa to several allied and partner nations, including the Philippines, Guam, Thailand, Australia, Malaysia, New Zealand, Singapore, and Indonesia. Throughout the many detachments, the Mad Foxes participated in international exercises including Maritime Patrol Aircraft Committee Meeting in South Korea, Cooperative Afloat Readiness and Training in Indonesia, and Talisman Sabre 2019 in Australia, further enhancing the ability of the U.S. and its allied and partner nations to operate as a cohesive force.

VP-5’s aircrew, maintenance, administration,

and support departments worked day and night to ensure the health of its Sailors and the P-8As were taken care of, keeping both the personnel and aircraft fully operational, and mission ready. This extremely successful deployment would not have been possible without the everyday efforts of the Mad Foxes and their family and friends supporting at home.

One of the squadron’s recent highlights included nine members of Combat Aircrew 2 and 10 maintenance support personnel, being moved on short notice from Kadena Air Force Base, Japan to Anderson Air Force Base, Guam to support the search and rescue efforts of a family of 4 adults and 3 children missing at sea for nearly a week.

After three days searching thousands of miles of the Pacific Ocean, the Mad Foxes located the vessel, deployed maritime smoke markers, and vectored a Federated States of Micronesia (FSS) patrol vessel to the distressed vessel’s location.

The family of seven, who were stranded at sea for nearly a week, had departed expecting a four hour journey with minimal rice and a gallon of water, were found in good health and spirit, and were transported to a hospital in Pohnpei for treatment.

During this deployment, Cmdr. Carl. E. White assumed the role of commanding officer, and has led the Mad Foxes to the completion of an extremely successful deployment.



Photos by Julie M. Lucas

AT2 Carlos Suarez holds his six-week old daughter Aria for the first time after returning home from deployment.



AM3 Cameron Wheeler is welcomed home by her two children Oct. 4 at NAS Jax.



AWO2 Sean Sivley of Patrol Squadron 5, is welcomed home after a six-month deployment by daughter Cassie, Oct. 4.

Fleet Readiness Center Southeast Earns Naval Aviation Enterprise AIRSpeed Site Level III of the Year Award

By Toiete Jackson

Fleet Readiness Center Southeast Public Affairs

Fleet Readiness Center Southeast (FRCSE) is the Naval Aviation Enterprise AIRSpeed Site of the Year Level III Award recipient.

The award highlights Continuous Process Improvement (CPI) through improving customer satisfaction, increasing integration between maintenance and supply, applying and executing AIRSpeed concepts and deploying CPI sustainment initiatives.

AIRSpeed Director Robin Geer said the award is presented annually to the site that excels at fostering a culture of CPI.

“We have the command’s support,” said Geer. “They provided us the leadership and vision to try and improve everything we touch.”

FRCSE is committed to CPI through workforce engagement. This process helps identify barriers and proactively implements solutions before conflicts occur.

Geer admits there has been some struggles in application, but that there is also a great deal of reward in being part of a team that is helping lead and transform the command into a more collaborative and effective depot.

“We in the AIRSpeed division get to be on the forefront working to help lead and mentor the team, but the fact is without the support of the command’s leadership and vision we would not have been as successful at achieving what we have,” Geer said. “It is truly an FRCSE team award.”

FRCSE completed 34 projects between Oct. 1, 2017 and Sept. 1, 2018 resulting in an estimated cost avoidance of \$17.7 million. This figure does not include \$8.6 million achieved in support of three COMFRC horizontal projects for a combined \$26.4 million.



2018 Enterprise AIRSpeed Level III Site of the Year Fleet Readiness Center Southeast Jacksonville, FL

1st row L to R: Mannie Edler, Jeff Cavanaugh, Daniel Moore, Gil Satterfield, John Tyrrell, Nate Bryant, Jerod Wilcox, Rick Sikorski
2nd row L to R: Michael Kyser, Robin Geer, Nicholas Chomic, Jon Linville, John Schofield, Jim Bruinsma

AIRSpeed Champion Gil Satterfield stated, “We have a Process Improvement Specialist in each Integrated Process Team throughout the plant to help spearhead improvements throughout the plant and find opportunities for improvements.”

Project sustainment and replication of best practices have helped transform CPI into a daily business practice and instilled a sense of pride into the daily routine at the depot.

FRCSE has won the award twice in the last three years.

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@Ocean Breeze Conference Center

Tuesday, November 19

NAS Jacksonville

@Dewey's Ballroom

Wednesday, November 20

Submarine Base Kings Bay

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Photos by MC2 Yolonda Williams

Royal Norwegian Air Force Chief Sgt. Christian Olsen, visits with students at the Patrol Squadron 30 training facility at Naval Air Station Jacksonville Oct. 8.



Royal Norwegian Air Force Chief, Brig. Gen. Tonje Skinnerland and her staff visit students at the Patrol Squadron (VP) 30 at Naval Air Station Jacksonville Oct. 8. VP-30 is assisting Norway air crews transition from the P-3C Orion to the P-8A Poseidon aircraft.

Navy Sets Up Permanent Advancement-to-Position Program for Enlisted Sailors

By Naval Personnel Command Public Affairs

Based on positive fleet feedback and the success of recent pilot programs, the Navy announced Oct. 7 that it has permanently established the Active Duty Enlisted Advancement-to-Position (A2P) program, via NAVADMIN 230/19.

The A2P program offers active duty E-5s, or second-class petty officers, the opportunity to advance to E-6 (petty officer first class) by filling priority billets and successfully completing any required training or schools. The program is intended to improve Fleet readiness and manning through better distribution of our talent.

Sailors selected for A2P will receive permanent change of station orders as they would for a standard billet; however, applicants will only be considered for the specific A2P billets they've applied to.

Applicants must be active-duty E-5s who are in their detailing window for rotation and have taken

the most recent E-6 Navy-wide advancement exam (NWAE) with published results. Sailors must be qualified to fill the billets for which they apply and should contact their detailers if they have any questions about their ability to fill an A2P billet.

All eligible Sailors may apply to sea-duty billets, regardless of their sea/shore flow rotation. However, Sailors on shore duty who are due to rotate to sea duty will not be considered for shore-duty A2P billets.

A2P billets will be announced in Career Management System-Interactive Detailing (CMS-ID) under the "Advance to Position" category. Sailors should verify that the "Advance to Position" category is selected in the optional input portion of the CMS-ID job search page in order to see the available A2P billets. A limited number of billets will be announced each detailing cycle, and not all rates will have billets available each cycle. Applications for A2P billets work the same as standard cycle applications.

Candidates will be selected for A2P billets on a competitive basis. The Final Multiple Score from the most recently published NWAE cycle is the primary criteria that will be used for selection. Commands with billets advertised for fill via the A2P program can submit comments in CMS-ID regarding the suitability of applicants, and final selection will be based on a combination of FMS and those command comments.

Sailors selected will be eligible for frocking to E-6 after they complete all required en route training or schools, and will be advanced to pay grade E-6 upon check-in at the ultimate duty station. Those who fail to complete en route training/schools will not be advanced.

For more information or questions about program eligibility, contact the MyNavy Career Center (MNCC) Contact Center at (833) 830-MNCC (6622), via email at askmncc@navy.mil, or visit MyNavy Portal at <https://my.navy.mil>.

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Guest gathered at the Patriot Grove Pavilion onboard Naval Air Station Jacksonville to draw awareness to domestic violence at the annual Night of Purple Lights, Oct. 9. NAS Jax Commanding Officer, Capt. Brian Weiss gave opening remarks.



Annual Shoreline Cleanup Keeps Base Beautiful

By MC2 (SW/IW) Nick A. Grim
Editor

Sailors stationed aboard Naval Air Station (NAS) Jacksonville filled trashbags with debris during the annual shoreline cleanup along the St. Johns River Oct. 9.

More than 100 Sailors used grabbing sticks and debris collection bags and set out on both foot and by canoe along the river to gather trash that could be damaging to wildlife.

Many of the Sailors participating this morning have committed to shoreline cleanups of the past.

“I have previously taken part in the ‘Dive Against Debris’ in Key Largo and the Santa Fe River,” said AM1 Charles Hunt of Fleet Readiness Center Southeast. “I was surprised I found this

much debris today.”

The event started at 8 a.m. when NAS Jacksonville Safety Specialist Gregg Gillette and Commanding Officer Capt. Brian Weiss, addressed Sailors with a safety brief before beginning the beautification and cleaning efforts at Mulberry Cove Marina and the rivers edge along flight line.

“It’s important to have our personnel keep our shoreline clean and take pride in our base,” said RP1 Lonzie Medina of the base chapel. “Also of importance is keeping our environment clean, with 20,000 Sailors we need to make sure the wildlife on base and in the river is taken care of.”

Shoreline cleanups of the past have gathered thousands of pounds of debris from the river.



Photo by Julie M. Lucas

Sailors stationed aboard Naval Air Station Jacksonville collect debris from the shoreline at Mulberry Cove Marina as part of the annual shoreline cleanup efforts by NAS Jacksonville, Oct. 9.



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Sailors stationed aboard Naval Air Station Jacksonville collect debris from the shoreline at Mulberry Cove Marina during the annual shoreline cleanup efforts by NAS Jax, Oct. 9.



Photo by MC2 Nick A. Grim

ACAN Dylan Humrichouse collects debris along the St. Johns River during the annual shoreline cleanup efforts by NAS Jax, Oct. 9.



Photo by MC2 Nick A. Grim

Sailors stationed aboard Naval Air Station Jacksonville collect debris from the shoreline along the St. Johns River as part of the annual shoreline cleanup efforts by NAS Jacksonville, Oct. 9.



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AC1 Lynn Mordon deposits debris into a collection bag held by AT2 Gary Arbuckle along the St. Johns River during the annual shoreline cleanup efforts by NAS Jacksonville, Oct. 9.

NAS JAX SPORTING NEWS

NAS Jacksonville sport events are open to active duty, selective reservists, DOD civilians, DOD contractor, retirees, and dependents 18 years of age and older at NAS Jacksonville, with some exceptions.

COMMAND SPORTS CHALLENGE OCTOBER 17 & 18

The NAS Jax Command Sports Challenge is a two day with a total of 10 sports events .The events are 1500 Meter relay, 3 on 3 Basketball, Dodgeball, Ultimate Frisbee, Swim relay, Fitness challenge, 3 on 3 Sand Volleyball, Bean bag toss, Tug-o-war, and CO canoe race. Commands can earn bonus points for female participation and for the CO, XO, or CMC in some events. The sports events for the first day will be conducted at the outdoor running track, Allegheny sports complex, tennis courts, outdoor pool, and the turf field at Sea King Park. The sports events for the second day will take place at the sand volleyball courts by the Marina. After the last sports event, there will be an awards ceremony and a free lunch. Call the MWR Sports Department at 542-2930 or e-mail bill.bonser@navy.mil for more information.

MEN’S OPEN SINGLES TENNIS TOURNAMENT OCTOBER 28

The tournament starts at 5pm and will be held at the Guy Ballou Tennis Courts on the corner of Allegheny Road and Birmingham Road. The winners will receive medals. Call the NAS Jax Athletic Department at 542-2930 to sign up by October 25th.

WOMEN’S OPEN SINGLES TENNIS TOURNAMENT OCTOBER 28

The tournament starts at 5pm and will be held at the Guy Ballou Tennis Courts on the corner of Allegheny Road and Birmingham Road. The winners will receive medals. Call the NAS Jax Athletic Department at 542-2930 to sign up by October 25th.



WOMEN’S TURKEY SHOOT RACQUETBALL TOURNAMENT NOVEMBER 12-15

Award will be given for the winner and runner-up.
Call NAS Jax Athletics to sign up by October 29th.

MEN’S TURKEY SHOOT RACQUETBALL TOURNAMENT NOVEMBER 18-22

Award will be given for the winner and runner-up.
Call NAS Jax Athletics to sign up by November 5th.

CAPTAIN’S CUP GREYBEARD BASKETBALL LEAGUE MEETING NOVEMBER 20

The league is open to active duty, selective reservists, DOD civilians, DOD Contractors, Dependent spouses assigned to a command at NAS Jacksonville and Retirees age 30 and up. The games are played at lunch time on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The meeting will be held at the base gym, Bldg 614 in the second floor classroom outside the women’s locker room at 11:30am. Commands having their athletic officer or designated representative attend the meeting will receive 5 captain’s cup points. All interested personnel should attend the meeting to discuss rules and to get the required paperwork to join the league.

CAPTAIN’S CUP INTRAMURAL WINTER BASKETBALL

LEAGUE MEETING NOVEMBER 20

The meeting will be held at the base gym, Bldg 614 in the second floor classroom outside the women’s locker room at 12:00pm. The games are played in the evenings. Commands having their athletic officer or designated representative attend the meeting will receive 5 captain’s cup points. All interested personnel should attend the meeting to discuss rules and to get the required paperwork to join the league.

**For more information about any of the sports articles,
Call Bill Bonser at 542-2930/3239 or e-mail bill.bonser@navy.mil
Visit the MWR website at www.cnic.navy.mil or www.facebook.com/nasjaxmwr**

Flag Football Standings

TEAMS	WINS	LOSSES
VP-30	4	0
HSM-70 Spartans	3	0
VP-26	4	1
VP-16	2	2
VP-8 Fighting Tigers	0	0
FRCSE Jaguars	2	3
VP-62 Broad Arrows	1	2
NAVHOSP	0	1
VUP-19	0	4

Ultimate Frisbee Fall League Standings

TEAMS	WINS	LOSSES
RLSO/DSO	3	0
CNATTU Larry’s last leg	2	0
NAVFAC	2	2
VP-16	1	1
Air Ops Disc in a box	1	2
NOSC Discs before chicks	0	3

Fall Softball Standings

TEAMS	WINS	LOSSES
VP-16	8	0
VP-26	7	0
FRCSE Nerd Herd	6	1
VP-30 Dirty Thirty	8	2
NAVHOSP Off in Church	6	2
CNATTU	3	2
FRCSE Tailgators	4	3
CRS-10 Pitches be Trippin	4	5
Air Ops	4	6
CPRW-11	2	3
FACSFAC/NRSE RCC	2	5
VP-62 Broad Arrows	2	6
CNRSE	1	6
NBHC Silver Bullets	1	6
VP-30 Pros Nest	0	8

Indoor Volleyball Standings

TEAMS	WINS	LOSSES
FRCSE Bench Warmers	3	0
NAVFAC Gold	2	0
NAVFAC Red	2	0
VR-62	2	0
NOSC	1	1
CNATTU	1	2
VP-10	1	3
VUP-19	0	3

Courtesy Photo
**Captain’s Cup Badminton
Singles Championship Match
champion Jade Brown (left)
poses for a photo with runner-up
Oscar Vasquez, Sept. 30.**



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Community Recreation

Call 542-3227

DIY Craft Series: Stitch & Gab

Oct. 15, 7 – 9 p.m. at Dewey's

Open to ages 18 & older. Tickets available at Community Recreation in Bldg. 622 or online through myFFR. The cost of \$10 per person covers supplies & one soda, beer or wine. Limited spots! Food & beverages available for purchase. No outside food or beverage.

DIY Craft Series: Paint Night

Oct. 25, 7 – 9 p.m. at Dewey's

Open to ages 18 & older. Tickets available at Community Recreation in Bldg. 622 or online through myFFR. The cost of \$25 per person covers supplies & one soda, beer or wine. Limited spots! Food & beverages available for purchase. No outside food or beverage.

Trunk or Treat

Oct. 29, 5 p.m. at the NEX parking lot

A safe way to trick or treat! Featuring glow activities, photo booth, decorated vehicles, treats, haunted hay ride, character appearances, music, best trunk contest and more. Register your trunk for free by Oct. 29. Costumes are encouraged!

River Cove Catering & Conference Center

Call 542-3041

Did you know you can book weddings, luncheons, retirements, birthday parties, conferences and more at the River Cove Catering & Conference Center?

Dewey's

Call 542-3900

Karaoke Night: Oct. 18, 7 – 11 p.m. (ages 18 and older after 9 p.m.)

Mondays and Thursdays: Free Texas Hold'em Tournaments at 7 p.m.

Bingo: Great cash payouts, even better jackpots! Lunch and evening sessions available. Call (904) 542-8449 for current promotions and times.

Freedom Lanes Bowling Center

Call 542-3493

Command Functions: Looking for a great command function? Why not a bowling event? Fun for all! Call to set up an event for commands, families, spouses groups & more!

Monday: \$7 All you can bowl, 4–6 p.m.

Wednesday: \$9.95 All you can bowl, 4 – 10 p.m.

Thursdays: Active Duty Appreciation Day! Games are \$1 each for Active Duty & their guests, Noon - 3 pm. Reservations accepted. *Start time subject to change based on league finish time

Thursday Nights: \$10 All you can bowl, 6 - 10 pm, includes bowling & shoe rental. Food & beverage specials available. Chances to win prizes just by participating!

Friday: \$10 Extreme Bowling, 10 p.m. – midnight. Shoes included.

Saturday: Extreme Bowling, call for current pricing & times.

Please note, the specials do not include shoes unless stated otherwise

Fitness, Sports & Aquatics

Call 542-2930

Command Sports Challenge

Oct. 17-18, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Sign up at the Base Gym! Commands can compete in ten different sports challenges in two days. The winning command will take the traveling trophy for a year. Open to Active Duty, Selective Reservists, DoD Civilians & Contractors & Military Dependent Spouses assigned to a command at NAS Jax. You do not have to register for all events to participate.

NAS Jax Navy Birthday 5K

Oct. 19, 8 – 11 a.m. at the Antenna Farm

Compete against runners at every installation in the Southeast during the Navy Region Southeast 2019 Navy Birthday Run Presented by Blue Cross and Blue Shield Federal Employee Program.

The top three male and female finisher times from every installation will be compared to see who is the best overall. The top three male and female overall best times will be awarded with commemorative plaques and prize money.

Register today at the Base Gym!

Zombie Run 5K

Oct. 25, 6 p.m. at the Antenna Farm

Escape the zombie apocalypse! This is a free 5K and costumes are encouraged! Register race day, starting at 5 p.m. Avoid the zombies throughout the course!

Swim lessons now available! Call the Base Gym for more information.

Indoor Pool and Outdoor Pool

Visit www.navymwrjacksonville.com for the current hours of operation.

Group and private tennis lessons are now available.

Call the base gym for pricing information.

Patrons can select from a variety of massage types, including Swiss, Deep Tissue/Sport, as well as other spa services, such as facial & body treatments. For a complete list of services, visit the base gym or fitness center.

The Liberty Recreation Center

Trips & events are for all E1-E6 single or unaccompanied active duty members & reservists only. Call 542-1335 for information.

Oct 9: Freedom Lanes

Oct 11: St. Augustine Ghost Tour

Oct 12: Group Paddle

Oct 13: Jags Vs. Saints

Oct 16: Burger Hunt: Smash

Oct 18: Mall and a Movie: Zombieland 2

Oct 19: Halloween Horror Nights

Oct 26: Santos Bike Park

Oct 27: Jags Vs. Jets

Oct 30: Icemen Game

NAS Jax Golf Club

Golf Course: 542-3249

Mulligan's Restaurant: 542-2936

Wing Down Wednesday

Oct. 16, 4 p.m.

Enjoy free wings at Mulligan's starting at 4 p.m. until they are gone! Wings available on a first come, first served basis. Limit is 10 wings per person. Mulligan's will also have a full menu available for purchase including drink specials & a frozen margarita machine.

Appreciation Days

Oct. 10 & 24 for all Military members & DoD employees. Play 18-holes with cart for \$20.

Swing It & Wing It Special: Play 18 holes with a cart and enjoy 10 wings and two draft beverages for only \$30 after 1 p.m. daily.

Daily Twilight Special: Play 18-holes with cart for only \$20 after 3 p.m. Monday - Friday.

Monday & Tuesday: Play 18-holes for \$20. Cart & green fees included. Not applicable on holidays.

Mulberry Cove Marina

Call 542-3260

Fridays: Free kayak & canoe rental all day for Active Duty members & guests only.

Private Sailing Lessons: One on one instruction available at \$20/hour by appointment only.

Minimum 2-hour session.

Stand Up Paddleboard Lessons: Open to all first-timers by appointment only. Free & taught by a World Paddleboard Association Certified Instructor.

Auto Skills Center

Call 542-3681

The center has 22 work bays, wheel balancing, tool checkout, paint booth and welding ASE certified mechanic onsite.

Youth Activities Center

Call 778-9772

Before & After School Care

Open to children 5-12 years

Register today!

Family Fitness Center

Call 771-8469

The Family Fitness Center is open Monday

– Friday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Bring your children!

Children 5 and older are welcome to workout with you. Group classes are available from 10 – 10:30 a.m.

Jax Navy Flying Club

Call 542-8509

Learn to fly at NAS Jax

Call for introduction flight

Additional ratings are available including instrument, complex and commercial

Find more info online at jaxnfc.net

Community Recreation Tickets & Travel Office

Call 542-3318, Email directly at nasjaxtickets@navy.mil

Jacksonville Jaguars Sections 147 & 148: \$101.25.

Jax Icemen—Vystar Veteran's Memorial Arena, ALL HOME GAMES: \$12-\$33.

Gator Football – Ben Hill Griffin Stadium, Gainesville Nov. 9: \$35. Nov. 30: \$82.

Florida/Georgia Baseball Game: Nov. 1—concert following the game with Brett Young & Chase Rice and fireworks!! Baseball Grounds of Jacksonville: \$20.

Orlando Magic Basketball—Amway Center Orlando, ALL HOME GAMES: \$10.75 and up.

Sesame Street Live Let's Party! – Vystar Veterans Memorial Arena, October 26-27: \$19.50, \$25.

Five Finger Death Punch – Veteran's Memorial Arena, November 18: \$92.50.

WWE Live! Holiday Tour—Vystar Veteran's Memorial Arena, Dec. 7: \$32/\$43.

Jimmy Buffett—Vystar Veteran's Memorial Arena, Dec. 10: \$100.

Trans Siberian Orchestra—Vystar Veteran's Memorial Arena, Dec. 12: \$70.

The Isley Brothers – Times Union-Moran Theater, December 22: \$87.50.

PBR (Professional Bull Riders) Velocity Tour—Vystar Veteran's Memorial Arena, Jan. 4: \$32.25/\$43.

Lauren Daigle—Vystar Veteran's Memorial Arena, Feb. 21: \$66.

Monster Jam—Vystar Veteran's Memorial Arena, Feb. 29: \$32/\$42.

Hella Mega Tour ft. Green Day, Fallout Boy, and Weezer—TIAA Bank Field, Aug. 6: \$113.

Halloween Horror Nights: Sept. 6 – Nov. 2; \$67.50 - \$104.25.

FSCJ Artist Series – Broadway in Jacksonville: Wicked, Rent, Bandstand, Anastasia, and more.

Prices vary depending on date and show time. Call

or visit the Ticket Office for further details.

What to do this year? Local Fun Trips!

Come join us on our scheduled trips. Relax and let us do the driving!

All trips will leave NAS Jax at 8 a.m. and return at 5 p.m., unless stated otherwise.

35th Annual Mount Dora Craft Fair, Saturday, October 26: \$25. Returning at 3 p.m.

Yalaha Country Bakery, Saturday, November 23: \$25.

Current Ticket Promotions Include the Following:

Adventure Landing Dry pass: \$22.

Alhambra Dinner Show: Prices range \$40 - \$50.

Autobahn Indoor Speedway: (28% Savings) \$25 Gift Card - \$20. \$50 Gift Card - \$40.

Biltmore Estates Ashville, NC: Adult - \$59.50, Youth - \$29.

Catty Shack Ranch Wildlife Sanctuary: \$8.50 - \$13.50.

Disney World Orlando Armed Forces 2019 Salute 4-Day ticket with hopper option - \$236.50; 4-Day Hopper ticket with water park fun & more - \$285.25. 5-Day ticket with hopper option - \$252.00; 5-Day Hopper ticket with water park fun & more - \$300.75. Tickets valid Jan. 1, 2019 and expire Dec. 19, 2019. Only Active and Retired U.S. Military Personnel (including Active or Retired members of the National Guard, Reservists, the U.S. Coast Guard, the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service (PHS), and the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) "or" their spouses are authorized to purchase Military Promotional tickets. - (6) Promotional Maximum purchase per service member, including member- If service member has an annual pass or multi-day ticket they can purchase (5) Promotional Maximum

and Must enter with party.

Jacksonville Symphony: \$31.

Jacksonville Zoo, General admission & admission w/unlimited train rides: \$12.50 - \$21.50.

Sea World Orlando Military Special: \$49 (limit 4 tickets per member ID).

Six Flags: \$46.50.

Spanish Military Hospital Museum: \$5 - \$7.50.

St. Augustine Alligator Farm Zipline: \$37, Park admission \$9.50 - \$15.

St. Augustine Aquarium: Adult \$8. Child Admission - \$5. Snorkel Adventure (Includes Admission) \$32.

St. Augustine Old Town Trolley: \$7.50 - \$21.25 BOGO.

St. Augustine Oldest Store Museum: \$5 - \$8.

St. Augustine Pirates Museum: \$3 - \$8.

St. Augustine Potters Wax Museum: \$5.75 - \$8.

St. Augustine Sight Seeing Train: \$5.50 - \$12.

Universal Orlando Military Special Redeemable through 12/31/19 (Not available at the gate! Maximum of 6 tickets per valid military ID) Ticket

Option #1: 2-Park, 4-Day Park to Park Ticket, Adult \$200, Child \$196 (Redeemable through 12/31/19, ticket expires on this date). Valid for 4 days of admission to Universal Studios Florida and Universal's Islands of Adventure. Ticket Option #2: 3-Park, 4-Day Park-to-Park Ticket, Adult \$240, Child \$235.75 (Redeemable through 12/31/19, ticket expires on this date). Valid for 4 days of admission to Universal Studios Florida, Universal's Islands of Adventure and Universal's Volcano Bay Water Park. Visit the Ticket Office for details.

Velocity Air Sports Jacksonville: 1 Hr. (socks included): \$15.50. 2 Hr (socks included) \$26.

Wild Adventures (Valdosta, Ga.): Gold Pass – \$81 Special—use now until the end of 2020. 1 Day: \$36. 2 Day: \$42 (must be used consecutively).

World Golf Hall of Fame & Museum: \$14.75.



ZOMBIE RUN

Friday, Oct. 25
Antenna Farm • 6 PM

Escape the zombie apocalypse! This 5K is free and costumes are encouraged! Register race day at 5 pm. Call (904) 542-2930 for details.



CHALLENGES 10 DAYS

COMMAND SPORTS CHALLENGE

OCT 17-18 | 8 AM - 1 PM

WINNER 1

SIGN UP AT THE BASE GYM TODAY!

Call (904) 542-2930 or email nasjaxfitness@navy.mil to register.

Open to Active Duty, Selective Reservists, DoD Civilians, DoD Contractors & Military Dependent Spouses assigned to a command at NAS Jax. Participants can only play for their respective command.

